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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT MEDICI

REF: STATE 172213

1. FOR YOUR INFORMATION THE TEXT OF THE LETTER FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT MEDICI WHICH WAS GIVEN TO AMBASSADOR ARAUJO CASTRO BY THE VICE PRESIDENT AUGUST 30 FOLLOWS.

2. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: AS YOU KNOW, UNTIL RECENTLY MY DAUGHTER SUSAN WAS IN MACEIO SERVING ABOARD THE S.S. HOPE. SHE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES WHEN WE RECEIVED INFORMATION INDICATING THAT HER SAFETY MIGHT BE IN INCREASED JEOPARDY. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU THAT THE DECISION THAT SHE SHOULD RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES IS IN NO WAY AN INDICATION THAT I LACK FAITH IN YOUR GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY

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TO PROVIDE FOR MY DAUGHTER'S SECURITY. I RELUCTANTLY TOOK

THE DECISION BECAUSE, LIKE ANY FATHER, I WAS UNWILLING TO
ACCEPT ANY HAZARD WHERE SUSAN'S WELL-BEING IS CONCERNED.

MY DAUGHTER HAS ASKED ME TO THANK YOU FOR THE WARM HOS-
PITALITY AND MANY COURTESIES SHOWN HER BY YOUR GOVERNMENT
AND THE PEOPLE OF BRAZIL DURING HER STAY. SHE WILL ALWAYS
RECALL HER TIME IN BRAZIL FONDLY. TO HER DEEP APPRECIATION
I WOULD ADD MY WIFE'S AND MY OWN FOR ALL THAT WAS DONE ON
HER BEHALF.

PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, RENEWED ASSURANCES OF MY
HIGHEST CONSIDERATION AND ESTEEM. SINCERELY.

3. NEITHER THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT NOR THE DEPART-
MENT INTENDS TO RELEASE THE LETTER, BUT THEY HAVE NO
OBJECTION TO THE GOB'S DOING SO. ROGERS

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